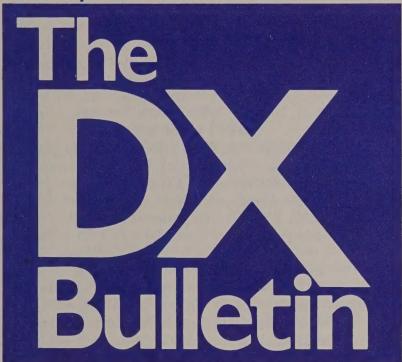
Pratas Island - BV9 Tony BV2TA told Japan DX News

that the Pratas Island BV9P DXpedition may begin Dec. 15, and last 10 days. However, elections in Taiwan are keeping the army busy, and may force an additional delay. Tony says the hold-up has been the reluctance of the Taiwan authorities to permit foreigners on Pratas. That issue has been resolved, and OH2BH, OH1NYP, and 9V1YW will be joining the Taiwan operators. Sunrise 2240Z; sunset 0912Z. QSL route to be announced.

Bangladesh - S2 Carl SM6CPY will be going to Bangladesh Dec. 26-Jan. 11. His callsign is not yet known, but the next one in sequence is S21ZX. Carl will concentrate on 160, 80, and 30 meters. Sunrise 0040Z; sunset 1120Z. QSL route not mentioned, but probably via home callsign.

Edited by Chod Harris VP2ML



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Maldives - 8Q Carlo Amorati I4ALU hits the DXpedition trail again Dec. 27-Jan. 6, as 8Q7BX. He'll be active on 80-10 meters, including the new bands, CW only, running a Kenwood TS-50 to a vertical. QSL via his home address: Via Battistelli 10, 40122 Bologna, Italy.

Iran - EP 9D2UU has been quite active, with the operator claiming to be an associate of Romeo 3W3RR. Stateside reports have been mostly near 14023 kHz, at 1300Z. QSL route said to be Jordan Radkov Yankov LZ2UU, Box 196, 7200 Razgrad, Bulgaria.

December 3, 1993

Shortly Noted

- Nepal: Jerry UT4UZ reports that he leaves for his Nepal DXpedition on Dec. 7. He had to change the dates from October when he father died. Expected length of stay in Nepal is two weeks.
- 1B1AB and 1B1NCC from the self-proclaimed Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus have been sporadically active, mostly on 20-meter SSB nets. The DX Advisory Committee has received a petition for separate DXCC country status for the region. An analysis of the status of northern Cyprus is in the DX column of the November, 1992, issue of CQ
- XT2BW leaves Burkina Faso at the end of January; for skeds, contact QSL manager WB2YQH.
- VR6ID Irma Christian skeds Paul Minning N6IBP Mondays on 21290 kHz at 1600Z, with Tuesday as alternate. Visitors are welcome.
- T5/N3HQW is active on Wednesdays and Sundays, around 1300Z.
- SV5TS is often on 21252 kHz at 15-1600Z, looking for stateside contacts.
- YL SP7IWA likes 18140 khz at 18-2000Z.
- VK6LK often meets W2HCW on 3795± kHz at 2200Z+, on the long path.
- QSL route for EL2PP CW contacts is via the operator I8NHJ, not I8NHL as typoed last issue. QSL SSB contacts via N2CYL.
- 3A2CC, who was very active in late October and asked for a QSL via the Monaco bureau, is a pirate, according to Dan Plett 3A2LZ. Dan says that callsign has not been issues, nor heard from Monaco.
- 9L1JI is Jeff Innes, c/o American Embassy, Freetown, Washington DC 20521. He's active on 21227 16-1700Z.
- J5UAI leaves Guinea-Bissau this week. J5 will likely be difficult to work for a while. QSL J5UAI via NW8F.
- JW5EBA will be active from Svalbard January-July, by Lars LA5EBA. CW, SSB, and digital modes, all bands.
- RTTY: Spots: UAØSMF 14077 0145Z (Zone 18); XT2BW 14085 0750Z; SU1AH 7036 2230Z; ZC4ML 14080 1300Z; TY1PS 21086 1400Z; VQ9FM 14082 1025Z; FK8GS 14080 0645Z.
- Islands On The Air: F6KIM will be active from Aix Island (EU-032) Dec. 12-17, on all bands. (LNDX.) CWØL will be active from Lobos Island (SA-039) Dec. 10-12, thanks to 12 operators of the Uruguay XD-Group. They'll have four stations on SSB and CW, on all bands, including the new bands. QSL to CX2CS, P. O. Box 20063, Upae, Montevideo, Uruguay. Sergey Tbybizov 4K4/UAØKBZ is active from Dickson Island (AS-005) for the next couple of years. He makes occasional trips to Franz Josef Land (EU-019) as 4K2KBZ. QSL direct only to P. O. Box 2, Dickson Island 663241, Russia, with SAE and US\$1.

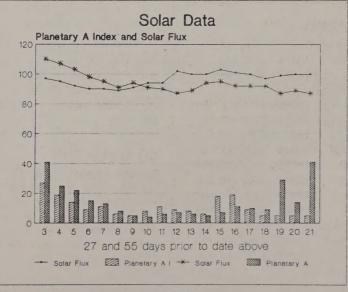
Propagation Forecast and Historical Data

Day Forecast	27 D	ays Before	55 Da	ays Before	
December 1993	Date	Flux A K	Date	Flux A K	
3 Below Normal	11/6	97 21/27 2	10/9	110 30/41 3	
4 Low Normal	11/7	95 18/19 3	10/10	107 22/25 3	
5 Low Normal	11/8	92 14/14 3	10/11	103 21/22 2	
6 High Normal	11/9	90 08/09 1	10/12	98 14/15 2	
7 High Normal	11/10	90 09/11 2	10/13	95 11/13 2	
8 High Normal	11/11	89 04/06 1	10/14	91 06/08 1	
9 High Normal	11/12	91 04/05 1	10/15	94 02/05 0	
10 High Normal	11/13	94 07/08 2	10/16	91 03/04 1	
11 High Normal	11/14	94 09/11 2	10/17	90 05/06 1	
12 High Normal	11/15	102 08/09 2	10/18	87 06/07 1	
13 High Normal	11/16	100 07/08 1	10/19	89 06/06 1	
14 High Normal	11/17	100 05/06 3	10/20	94 03/05 1	
15 Low Normal	11/18	103 16/18 4	10/21	95 05/07 0	
16 Low Normal	11/19	101 20/19 3	10/22	92 12/11 3	
17 High Normal	11/20	100 07/09 2	10/23	92 11/10 3	
18 High Normal	11/21	97 04/05 1	10/24	92 06/09 1	
19 High Normal	11/22	99 03/05 1	10/25	87 25/29 3	
11 11 11 11 11	Propagation Watch				

As predicted, conditions for the CQWW CW contest were pretty good, at least on 80-15 meters. The maximum useable frequency didn't rise high enough to provide much activity on 10 meters, except for a few north-south QSOs. However, stable geomagnetic conditions permitted many low-band contacts.

Look for more of the same over the next few weeks, punctuated by occasional increases in geomagnetic activity, mostly due to recurrent coronal holes. These structures last for several months, and permit some measure of confidence in prediction. Most active days should be Dec. 3-7, and again after the 15th. In between, look for some good-to-excellent low-band conditions.

Continued low solar flux values (near 95) and seasonal effects put downward pressure on maximum useable frequencies. 10 and 12 meters will be below average (except during the ARRL 10-meter contest Dec. 11-12), but 17 and 15 meters should the good places to look for DX during daylight hours. In the evening, MUFs drop quickly after local sunset, forcing DXers to try 30 and 40 meters for the choicest DX. Long-path openings, especially on the lower bands, are well worth watching, especially when the K index has been at 2 or below for some time. Good hunting!



OSL Information

- The return SASE from XQØX says "Just local stamps is sh*t. How do you help getting XQØX on the air?!" Apparently IRCs or US\$1 would be more acceptable. However, he did include the requested QSL cards!
- ZD8M can be confirmed direct to Ascension Island via Box 73, or to G3UOF, whose *Callbook* address is not correct. Send cards to S. Frobisher Mews, Churchtown, Gloucester, GL3 1NQ, England.
- TA3ZH is Cornelius Booker KC6RZW; QSL to his stateside call.
- QSL 5K3W via Francisco Hennessey HK3SGP, P. O. Box 5028J, Bogota DC, Colombia.
- 5V1JB's direct address is Jay Brillhart, BP 8, Anie, Togo, Africa.
- QSL NH6MG/TG1 direct to David Stutz, Apartado 79, Huehuetenango, Guatemala. He like amateur radio magazines for use in his English classes.
- Shoji Miyake JA6EGL handles cards for his operations as KK6WW KK6WW/ZL3 KC6SM V63MK T26CW VK1CW.
- Göran Lundell SM@CMH says he handles his own cards for his regular operations from Kalymnos Island in the Dodecanese as SV5/SM@CMH, either direct or via the bureau, depending on postage received. However, he reports that some mail has been opened or diverted on the way to him; if you haven't received your card, try again: Älgövägen 11, S-133 36 Saltsjöbaden, Sweden.

1994 Callbooks

Duane Heise AA6EE is offering discount prices on the 1994 Callbooks (Flying Horse). Either edition (North American or International) is \$25.90, or both for \$49.90. 1994 ARRL Handbooks are \$23.90. Bencher paddles: BY-1/black \$59.90; BY-2/Chrome reduced to \$69.90. Postpaid in the USA and possessions. If shipment by UPS is desired (lower 48 states) add \$2. California residents add 7.5% sales tax. Foreign orders: add US\$4.50 per book for surface mail. Send check to Duane at 16832 Whirlwind, Ramona CA 92065. (Retail price of the Callbooks is \$29.95 each.)

Visalia International DX Convention

The 1994 International DX Convention will be held April 15-17 at the Holiday Inn-Plaza Park, in Visalia, California. Preregistration (prior to March 15, 1994) is \$45, and includes the Saturday evening banquet and Sunday morning brunch, as well as all the programs, cocktails parties, and more. Send your check made out to the International DX Convention to registrar Don Bostrom N6IC, 4447 Atoll Ave., Sherman Oaks CA 91423. Tentative program for Saturday evening is the 1994 Peter 1 Island DXpedition. Other noteworthy events include the Friday morning golf tournament, and the Friday evening cocktail party sponsored by The DX Bulletin. The Holiday Inn's telephone number is (209) 651-5000. If they're sold out, try the Radisson in downtown Visalia at (209) 636-1111 or the nearby Lamplighter Hotel at (209) 732-4511.

Wanted: Issues 1-9 of The DX Bulletin

Jim Cain K1TN seeks the first nine issues of <u>The DX</u> <u>Bulletin</u>, to complete his set. If you can spare same, contact Jim c/o ARRL Headquarters.

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Key to Bandpass: Callsign, frequency, UTC, day of the month, state. * = long path. P = packet. All "portable" calls listed with country of operation first, regardless of format used on the air.

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30 Meters

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9D2UU	10104	1536	25	CA	
EA8AB	10101	2356	22	FL	
EA9AI	10105	2203	20	NH	
FH/DL5XU	10105	2237	17	VA	
FH5ED	10105	0329	23	GA	
FK8GJ	10102	1432	19	ID	
HH2PK	10110	0403	21	FL	
HR1IQC	10103	1301	15	AL	
JW5NM	10106	0029	23	GA	
JW9XG	10112	1320	26	CA	
JW9XG	10106	2230	24	FL	
KH4/	10103	0215	21	CA	
N7TNL					
OX3GX	10104	1310	26	CA	
ОХЗММ	10109	2149	25	FL	
S79MX	10103	0213	19	GA	
UN6P	10101	1023	18	CA	
UN7PCZ	10109	1215	24	FL	
ZD8M	10102	2250	15	MN	
ZL7FD	10101	0455	26	CA	
ZL7FD	10100	1250	24	FL	

20 Meter CW

3D2MQ 14002 0305 19 CA 4K2MAI 14011 1156 16 MA 4X4WN * 14009 1453 20 WA 4Z5BP * 14010 1527 17 WA 7Q7LA * 14005 1450 15 WA 9D2UU * 14026 1252 26 LA 9K2MU 14017 1749 21 FL BV2A 14019 2350 17 21 EA6ZY * 14020 1554 16 WA ET3YU 14010 2026 15 NB FR5DD 14017 2155 17 MN HH2PK 14035 0250 19 CA 17 MO HKØER 14025 2239 HR1LW 1244 19 AL 14016 HZ1HZ 14020 2203 25 FL ISCFY * 14009 1437 15 WA JW9XG 14030 1818 24 FL PZ1DV 14009 1429 21 FL 14029 0300 19 CA P71DY S21ZG * 14010 1529 18 WA 1548 SV1JG 14011 17 WA TL8GR 14010 2004 24 FL TU2XZ 14010 2204 25 FL V2/G6QQ 0250 19 CA 14029 V2/G6QQ 14015 2144 21 NH **V73C** 14029 0020 19 CA XU7VK 14021 0045 15 MI ZD8M 14026 2327 16 GA 1530 17 WA ZS6ME * 14012 ZS6MG 14014 2008 16 NB

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17 Meter CW

3V8AS	18070	1304	18	GA	
4K4POL	18076	2256	23	ID	
4U/	18070	1311	15	MI	
SM1TDE					
CN8LR	18090	1409	22	NH	
HKØER	18069	2344	23	FL	
HR1LW	18071	2335	21	GA	
HR2IQC	18084	2330	21	GA	
KG4DX	18072	1623	20	ID	
OY1R	18074	1307	18	GA	
STØK	18069	1306	17	MA	
TG1/	18084	1659	20	NH	
NH6MG					
UC2AAA	18082	1453	21	FL	
VQ9KC	18077	1717	18	VA	

ZD8M 18076 1658 17 ID

17 Meter SSB

HR11QC 18122 1534 21 IL

15 Meter CW

15 Meter SSB

12 Meter CW

3B8CF 24902 1414 25 FL 1436 20 NH 7Q7XX 24896 1445 26 FL 9J2B0 24906 TL8NG 24900 1438 26 FL YN/ 24897 1345 25 **SMØOIG**

12 Meter SSB

EA8PP 24950 1445 15 MI SV9ANH 24942 1438 15 MI T5/N3HQW 24945 132117 MA

10 Meter CW

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Current and Future DXpeditions

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DXCC Country			Dates	Issue
American Samoa	KH8	AA5K/	Dec. 2-23	I715
Bahamas	C6	C6AGN	Dec. 5-Feb 23	1715
Bangladesh	S2	S21ZX?	Dec. 26-Jan. 1	11 1716
Benin	TY	TY8OBO	Nov. 30-Dec.	8 I715
Bermuda	KI3V/	VP9	Nov. 22-Dec. 2	2 I714
Botswana	A2	A25/OH7XM	to Dec. 5	I714
Cayman Islands	ZF	ZF2VE	Dec. 10-20	I714
Chatham Island	ZL7	ZL7FD?	Nov. 24-Dec.	4 I713
Christmas Island	VK9X	O, VI9XN	Nov. 27-Dec. :	15 1714
Dodecanese	SV5	SV5TS	21252 15-16Z	I716
Fernando de Nord	onha	PYØF	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	2 I714
Ghana	9G	9G1JI	Nov. 8+	I711
Iran	EP	9D2UU	now active?	I716
Isle of Man	GD	GD4UOL	Nov. 19-Dec. 5	5 I713
Maldives	8Q	8Q7BX	Dec. 27-Jan. 6	1716
Midway Island	KH4/	N7TNL	Oct. 21+	I708
Nepal	9N	UT4UZ+	Dec. 7-21?	I714/6
Netherland Antille	es	PJ2/WJ2O	Nov. 23-Dec. 4	4 I712
Niue	ZK2	ZK2XJ	Dec. 24-30	I715
Northern Cyprus	1B1AH	B/NNC	now active	I716
Peter I Island	3Y		Feb. 1-17	I685
Pitcairn Island	VR6	VR6ID	21290 1600Z	Mon.
I716				
Pratas Island	BV	BV9P	Dec. 15 ?	I716
Rodriguez Island	3B	3B9FR		I711
St. Martin	FS/	W2QM	Dec. 1-8	I714
Somalia	T5/	N3HQW	Weds. and Sun	s. I716
South Cook Island	ds	ZK1AJM	Dec. 31-Jan. 2	1715
Sri Lanka	487	OH2VZ	Nov. 15-Dec. 1	
Thailand	HS	HSØZAR	Jan. 15-Feb. 1	
Tonga	A3	TBA		I712
Turks & Caicos	VP5/	/KN4UG		I714
Western Samoa	5W	5W1AS		I715
Zone 29		VK6LK		1716

Operating Events and DX Gatherings

Dates	Event Reference:
Dec. 3-5	ARRL 160-Meter Contest QST
Dec. 11-12	ARRL 10-Meter Contest QST
Dec. 11-12	TARA RTTY Sprint RTTY Journal
Jan. 8-9	ARRL RTTY Roundup QST
Jan. 28-30	CQWW 160-Meter CW Contest CQ
Feb. 12-13	EAWW RTTY RTTY Journal
April 15-17	Visalia Internation DX Convention 1716

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Resident Amateurs on Regularly

DXCC Country	Callsign	Freq.	UTC
80 Meters	JA1HQT	3503	1000Z
80 Meters	RA1ZA	3505	1100Z Sun.
80 Meters	HR1LW	3505	1100Z
80 Meters	FM5BH	3506±	2230Z
80 Meters	UB3JX	3501	2330Z+
80 Meters	4X4WN	3507±	0150Z
Albania	ZA1J	7004	00-0200Z
Algeria	7X4AN	7010±	2200Z
Antigua	V2/G6QQ	40M CW	22-0200Z
Ascension Island	ZD8M	10103/237	Z 14026/2330Z
Belarus	UC2LFT	3501	2230Z+
Bosnia-Herzegovin	a T94ON	3512	0025Z
Canary Islands	EA8AB	10101	2355Z
Central Africa	TL8NG	24903±	1445Z
Ethiopia	ET3YU	14020±	20-23Z Mon.



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Faroes	OY1R	18080±	1300Z
Hong Kong	VS6WV	2505±	1030-12Z
Madagascar	5R8DG	7005±	. 0000Z
Madeira Islands	CT3FT	21025	1530Z
Marion Island	ZS8MI	14195	1600Z
Mauritius Island	3B8CF	7002±	0200Z
Mauritius Island	3B8CF	3503±	0130Z
New Caledonia	FK8GJ	10103	14Z Mon.
Nicaragua	HT1T	7005	2320Z
Seycelles	S79MX	10104	0200Z
South Shetlands	4K1F	30M	00-0300Z
South Africa	ZS6NW	3506±	0300Z
Sudan	STØK	21005±	1300Z
Swaziland	3DAØBK	3504±	0300Z
Tunisia	3V8AS	18071	1300Z Mon.
Zimbabwe	Z21HS	7025	0330Z
Zimbabwe	Z21HS	3503±	0330Z
Zone 29	VK6HD	3505	2100Z